## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DEPOMED, INC.,

Plaintiff,

V.

IVAX CORPORATION,

Defendant.

Now pending before the Court is Plaintiff's Motion for Sanctions Due to Spoliation of Evidence and Defendant's Cross-Motion for Attorneys' Fees. Properly framed, Plaintiff's motion is a motion *in limine*. The "sanctions" it seeks are (1) the exclusion of evidence and (2) a jury instruction on what it perceives as Defendant's misconduct. The Court considers the motion premature. Accordingly, it DENIES the motion without prejudice to Plaintiff's refiling the motion at a more appropriate time, namely, at a pre-trial conference. Defendant's motion for attorneys' fees is DENIED.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 21, 2007

CHARLES R. BREYER UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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